



SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE

CATHOLIC SCHOOL  LOS ANGELES



Dear Parents/Guardians:

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU to everyone who contributed in any way to the success of our Festival this past weekend! By all accounts, it was a fabulous event made even more so by your generous and whole-hearted participation and support. Too numerous to count were all of the parents who chaired or worked a booth, made donations of any kind, assembled, prepared, cooked, served, washed, poured, set-up, cleaned up, smiled often, and did whatever task needed to be done at the moment. Your immense generosity has helped to sustain our vision of building community through service to others. ***We could NOT have done this without you!*** As soon as all accounts are settled, and our Festival/Auction Committee Chairpersons have had a moment to recuperate and rest, a more detailed note of gratitude and a report of our fundraising efforts will be shared with you in a forthcoming newsletter.

As we continue to “recover” from all of the Festival activities, we turn our focus to a new program that is being implemented at St. Paul’s this year—**SPA School Families**. This week, we will be launching our much-anticipated program. As explained at Back-to-School Night, “creating families” is a concept we have embraced in an effort to help build school community and personalize the relationships among students at all grade levels. Each 8th grade student is the “head” of the SPA Family, and the rest of the family members are comprised of one student from each grade level. (*DK and Kindergarten students will join the Families on Valentine’s Day.*) The formation of the families is random, but we do make an effort to keep actual siblings apart from one another. In addition to bringing our faith community closer together, another goal of the program is to enhance the leadership development opportunities for our 8th grade students. It’s often nice to see students in the same Family playing together at recess, or a junior high student sharing a quick hug with a younger student at the end of the school day. There will be plenty of opportunities to create those bonds throughout the school year.

The students will gather at some point this week for their very first “meet and greet.” We anticipate that “actions with a spirit of joy” will be exhibited by every Family. The meetings will begin and end with prayer; brief words of welcome will be shared by the 8th grade students; personal salutation notes will be distributed to every student from the head of each family; introductions will be made; and thoughtful discussions will be facilitated by the student leaders who will make certain that every student in the Family has the opportunity to share his/her thoughts and ideas about all that can happen in the coming year. We look forward to activities that will include Student Body Masses, Christian service projects, pep rallies, student picnics, and retreat events. We will keep you posted.

Thank you for your support and encouragement of our School Families program, and for all that you do to help us build community at St. Paul the Apostle School!

Peace and blessings,

Crystal A. Pinkofsky
Principal

Mon Oct 1	● 8 – 9:30am	PWC Board Meeting (JACC)
Thu Oct 4	● 7:15 – 7:45am	Blessing of the Animals (In Front of JCPC)
	● 6 – 6:30pm	Blessing of the Animals - CH Front of church
Fri Oct 12	● All day	Fall Festival Begins
Sat Oct 13	● All day	Fall Festival
Sun Oct 14	● All day	Fall Festival
Mon Oct 15	● All day	NO SCHOOL
Fri Oct 19	● 7 – 8pm	Sandwich Builders (JCPC)
Sun Oct 21	● 5 – 6pm	8th-grade Family Mass
Mon Oct 22	● 7 – 9pm	High School Night
Fri Oct 26	● 7 – 9am	School Comm. Coffee - MPR
Mon Oct 29	● 6:30 – 7:30pm	2nd-grade Sacrament Meeting JCPC



NO SCHOOL TODAY!

Please remember that school will NOT be in session today due to Festival tear down and clean up. Classes will resume Tuesday morning when we gather for prayer in the yard.

60TH JUBILEE CELEBRATION!

Please join us in congratulating Sister Theresa Berry, DMJ, on



the 60th Anniversary of her joining the Daughters of Joseph and Mary! Sister has been a long-time member of the SPA faculty (approximately 16 years), and presently serves as one of our valued religion teachers. Sister also assists with student sacrament preparation. A special Mass will be celebrated in her honor at St. John Fisher Church in Rancho Palos Verdes on Sunday, October 21, at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Our gratitude, prayers and warm wishes are extended to Sister Theresa as we joyfully acknowledge this very special occasion!

VOLUNTEER



FINGERPRINTING FOR VOLUNTEERS

St. Paul the Apostle School will be hosting a fingerprinting session on Friday, November 2, from 12:00 p.m. until 7:10 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the parish office. Parents who are in need of this in order to coach, chaperone a field trip, etc. are encouraged to take advantage of this very convenient location. Contact Mayora Hiney at 310-474-1588, ext. 7221 to schedule an appointment, or if you have any questions. Please note that you will need to bring a valid photo ID with you to the session.



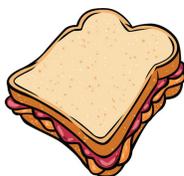
HALLOWEEN SERVICE PROJECT

Halloween is upon us! We'll be making Halloween Goody Bags for the girls at Maryvale – and there are two ways you can help this year! The first is to collect supplies, make a treat bag and drop it at the front office, as we have done historically. The second is to bring supplies – 10 or more of the same item, and meet a fun crew after 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 28, in the JCPC to assemble the bags themselves. Think “sandwich builders”, but without the sandwich...just add lip gloss and candy! Coffee and donuts will be served. Click [HERE](#) for full details and sign-ups!



HALLOWEEN CHESS TOURNAMENT

It's time to register for the tournament at St. Paul's that will be held on Sunday, October 28, from 1:00 until 5:00 p.m. in the SPA gym. All players are welcome, beginners through advanced. Best costume trophies, individual trophies, and team trophies will be awarded. Come in costume, play chess and help SPA win back the Best School Team trophy. More information is available online [here](#), or you can register today by logging on [here](#).



SPA SANDWICH BUILDERS

All St. Paul's families are invited to come join us on Friday, October 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the JCPC to help the 7th grade students make 1,000 lunches to feed the homeless. There are lots of ways to help! You can...

- **Sign up to bring supplies** -- thousands of supplies are needed each month, so we hope you will sign up to bring a

few; you can sign up to bring supplies

at www.spapwc.com/sandwichbuilders.

- **Come pack lunch bags** – 7:00 p.m. the JCPC

- **Drop off supplies** in the Parish office or on the table outside the front office the week of SB, or bring them to Sandwich Builders when you come to help pack the lunches. You can also mail supplies directly to the parish office: (St. Paul the Apostle, c/o Mary Ann Bertolucci, [10750 Ohio Avenue, LA, CA 90024](mailto:10750.ohio.avenue.la.ca.90024)) although bringing supplies in person is preferred. **Please deliver all bread during the week -- not Friday night.**

- **Help deliver lunches Saturday morning:** please sign up on the Sandwich Builders

page: www.spapwc.com/sandwichbuilders. We`ll fill up your car with lunches Friday night. We deliver Saturday morning from about 6:00 a.m. until 8:30 a.m.

We greatly appreciate the participation and enthusiasm of all who have attended in the past and hope you will continue to join us. As a reminder, we have a few requests this year in order to keep the energy high, but the productivity even higher. We ask that you attend with your children when possible, and talk with your kids about why they are there. As a reminder, all parents are expected to supervise their kids. We hope the students have fun but their top priority is making lunches. Please remind them to keep their phones at home, to talk quietly, and most importantly, to *participate*! If you have any questions you can contact anyone on the Sandwich Builders Team: the Barths, Goodgames, Tylers, and Woods families. Thank you for participating!



SPA'S SOCIAL MEDIA

Please join St. Paul's this year as we ramp up our social media game on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube! We will be posting regular updates along with the parish to share the news about everything that's happening around campus and in the community. Check it out and share your "likes" to show your support! You can subscribe below by clicking on the links!

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